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(Philippian Jailer) #8

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TEN STEPS TO ETERNAL SALVATION

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Lesson covers scriptures from Acts 15:36 - 16:40. (46)
Begins with start of 2nd Missionary Journey. #36-41.
Example of concern: Christian care! 36.
Example of Christian character! 37-38. Backbone.
Example of settling disputes amiably. 39-40.
Neither slacked, slowed or stopped working.

I. Timothy chosen to train with Paul. 16:1-3.
Congregations set on course and strengthened. 4-5.

Holy Spirit guided the missionaries path. 6-8.
Vision of a man: THIS IS WHERE GOD WANTS YOU!! 9-12.

II. NO WORSHIPPING MAN AT PHILIPPI! 13-15. (Roman colony)
No criticism, complaining or murmuring. Keep going!
Lydia: Spirit of church of Christ at Phillipi. 14-15

HOLY SPIRIT starts framing the setting of one of the
great Spiritual Dramas of the N. T. Strange way!
Fortuneteller began harassing Christians. 16-17.
Paul's patience ran out. Cleansed her. 18.
Challenge to fake-healers today-heal instantly
as Jesus and Paul did! No mass-hypnosis; no
psychosomatic cures, but genuine HEALING!

THE CONSEQUENCES FOR DOING GOOD. II Tim. 4:12.
Christians unjustly arrested. 19-20.
Falsely accused. 21. Free city. Religious freedom
Illegally punished and imprisoned. 22-24.

III. LORD HAS PUT THE PREACHER AND THE PROSPECT TOGETHER.
N. T. personal evangelism involved suffering.
N. T. p. e. involved unusual places and persons.
N. T. p. e. involved EVERY opportunity available.

IV. TEN STEPS TO ETERNAL SALVATION NOW BEGIN.

Greatest Miracle of All begins:
"Christ's saving of one soul is the greatest
of all His miracles!!!"

GREATER THAN: Healing blind, lame, leperous? yes
Raising Lazarus from dead? yes.
Walking on water? yes.
Rising from the tomb? yes.

WHY? State of the subject: Unworthy. Guilty. Evil.
Length of results: Eternal. Without end!

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V. TEN STEPS TO SALVATION.*Separated
from God!**LOST. DOOMED.*

STEP ONE: INDIFFERENCE. Must be overcome. Rom. 10:13. Jailer, Roman idolator. Never heard of Jesus! Rom. 10:17. Not heard! Rom. 3:23. Why care? Indifference based on ignorance of lost condition.

STEP TWO: PROVIDENTIAL STEP. Must awake, arouse, and humble the apathetic-sinner. *Earthquake.*
Ill. Uncle Willie. Unconcerned till lost eye.
Ill. Lou Rolling. Haughty till humiliated.
 Illness, poverty, to sweet mellowness.

near fire! Poison, LSD, Cancer.
STEP THREE: FEAR. Wholesome step. Prov. 1:7. Ecc. 12:13. Vs. 25-27, ~~WH~~ This a real power.
Paul knew. Acts 9:3-6. Do?

STEP FOUR: HUMILITY. Matt. 5:3. 5:5. 18:3. Vs. 29. Captor bowed to captives. I Pet. 5:6-7.

STEP FIVE: QUESTIONING. V. 30. Believe? Be? Do?

STEP SIX: LISTENING. V. 31. Acts 8:30-35. Eunuch. Many refuse this step: Matt. 13:15.

STEP SEVEN: STUDYING. V. 32. II Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17*
 Learn: I Cor. 3:11. Acts 4:12. John 14:6.

STEP EIGHT: OBEYING. V. 33. Same as Paul A. 22:16.

STEP NINE: SERVING. V. 33-34. Thrust vs washed.

STEP TEN: REJOICING. V. 34. Why? II Cor. 5:17.
 (Luke 15:1-10)

INV. REJOICING ALWAYS THE RESULTS OF CONVERSION TO CHRIST.

Ill. Jack Barton. Bailey said: "Now dad, we can always be together."

Ill. Jim Ash. (Ruth). "I'm on cloud nine today. My husband is a Christian now. That's the most wonderful thing in the world!"